

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Drinking Water Quality Report is in the Mail

The City of Milwaukee's drinking water utility is mailing its annual water quality report to customers now through June. The Consumer Confidence Report says Milwaukee's drinking water is of the highest quality in the United States and in full compliance with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) standards.

The EPA requires public water suppliers to issue the annual report about water quality and related topics. The purpose is to provide information to consumers so they can make informed decisions about any potential health risks pertaining to the quality, treatment, and management of their drinking water supply, source, and the environment. The report includes "Use Water Wisely" consumer advice about finding and fixing household water leaks to control water costs and avoid wasting water.

The report is being mailed as an insert with the Municipal Services Bill to customers in Milwaukee, Greenfield, Hales Corners, St. Francis, and West Milwaukee. (The suburban communities receive billing service from the utility.) The report data is shared with the utility's customer communities of Brown Deer, Butler, Franklin, Greendale, Greenfield, Menomonee Falls, Mequon, New Berlin, Shorewood, Thiensville, Wauwatosa, and West Allis. The Milwaukee Water Works also provides water to the Milwaukee County Grounds facilities.

Copies of the report are available at city government offices and health centers, and Milwaukee Public libraries. Find the report online at http://city.milwaukee.gov/water/about/WaterQuality.htm.

About the Milwaukee Water Works

The Milwaukee Water Works is a national leader in providing high-quality, healthful drinking water and water quality monitoring. Since 1993, the City of Milwaukee-owned water utility has invested \$406 million in its infrastructure, from treatment plants to distribution systems, to ensure a reliable supply of high quality drinking water. The utility treats Lake Michigan water with ozone as the primary disinfectant to destroy microorganisms that cause disease, reduce the formation of disinfection byproducts, and remove taste and odor. Coagulation and flocculation, sedimentation, biologically active filtration, and chloramine disinfection ensure high quality water from your faucets.

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